Boys Hostels for ST students, Ashram Schools in TSP Areas, Post-Matric Scholarship for ST students, Book Bank, Upgradation of Merit of ST students, Educational Complex, etc These Schemes also aim at creating awareness amongst the tribals about the illeffects of superstitions.

European Union funding for tribal development Projects

†2135. SHRI ABHAY KANT PRASAD: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some tribal development Projects/Schemes funded by the European Union have been started in some States;

(b) if so, the names of such States;

(c) the amount sanctioned by the European Union for starting these Projects/Schemes;

(d) the amount received from the European Union and the amount given to the States, specially to Jharkhand, by the Centre; and

(e) the details of the amount actually spent by each State?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM): (a) The Ministry of Tribal Affairs Implements Tribal Development Projects/ Schemes funded by European Union through the mechanism of 'Bilateral Development Cooperation Programme' (BDCP), for which Ministry of Finance (D/o Economic Affairs) is the nodal Ministry. No Tribal Development Projects/Schemes under the said programme has been started in any State including Jharkhand by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs in collaboration with the European Union (EU). However, E U. may be providing funds for some tribal welfare programmes through NGOs, of which Ministry of Tribal Affairs is not aware of

(b) to (e) Do not arise

Condition of tribal schools in Orissa

2136. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that condition of the tribal schools in Orissa is pitiable;

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